

Notice of Measure Election City

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Notice		
Date of Notice March 11, 2014	Name of City or Cities Sherwood	Date of Election May 20, 2014

The following is the final ballot title of the measure to be submitted to the city's voters.

Final Ballot Title Notice of receipt of ballot title has been published and the ballot title challenge process has been completed.

Caption 10 words which reasonably identifies the subject of the measure

CHARTER REVISIONS -VACANCIES AND FILLING VACANCIES

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Question 20 words which plainly phrases the chief purpose of the measure

Shall Charter provisions pertaining to vacancies and filling vacancies be revised?

Summary 175 words which concisely and impartially summarizes the measure and its major effect

This measure would amend Chapter 7, Section 31-Vacancies and Section 32-Filling Vacancies by:

Adding a new provision to Section 31, a.4, regarding when an office becomes vacant, by "election to a different City office."

Amending Section 31, b.2 regarding absences from the City by removing language of, "from three consecutive regular council meetings" and replacing with, "all meetings in a 60 day period."

Amending Section 32 by adding the italicized text to existing language, "a mayor or councilor vacancy will be filled by an election if 13 months or more remain in the office term, "or by appointment of the majority of the council within 45 days if less than 13 months remain."

Amending by replacing italicized language of "may be" to "shall be", "A mayor or council vacancy may be filled by appointment by a majority of the remaining council members."

The amendments thus add provisions of when an office becomes vacant, addresses allowed period of time an elected may be absent from City and adds language for filling vacancies in a timely manner.

Explanatory Statement 500 words that impartially explains the measure and its effect, if required attach to this form

If the county is producing a voters' pamphlet an explanatory statement must be submitted for any measure referred by the city governing body and if required by local ordinance, for any initiative or referendum.

Measure Type	County producing voters' pamphlet	Local ordinance requiring submission	Explanatory statement required
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Referral	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Not applicable	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
<input type="checkbox"/> Initiative	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
<input type="checkbox"/> Referendum	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

Authorized City Official Not required to be notarized

→ By signing this document, I hereby state that I am authorized by the city to submit this Notice of Measure Election and I certify that notice of receipt of ballot title has been published and the ballot title challenge process for this measure completed.

Name Sylvia Murphy	Title City Recorder/Elections Official	Work Phone 503-625-4246
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Sylvia Murphy, City Recorder/Elections Official
Signature

3-11-2014
Date Signed

CITY OF SHERWOOD
MEASURE TO AMEND CITY CHARTER

EXPLANATORY STATEMENT – Vacancies & Filling Vacancies

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The Oregon Constitution gives city voters the right to adopt, amend and revise the City Charter. Sherwood voters adopted the current City Charter in 2005. It has not been amended or revised since then. The proposed Charter amendments are being brought before city voters on the May 20, 2014 Ballot.

This proposed measure would amend Chapter 7, Section 31-Vacancies and Section 32-Filling Vacancies. The amendments adds provisions of when an office becomes vacant, addresses the allowed period of time an elected may be absent from the City and adds language for filling vacancies in a timely manner of within 45 days.

The measure would add a new provision to Section 31, creating subsection a.4, thereby adding a new category describing when an office becomes vacant, in particular, by "*an election to a different City office*".

The measure would amend subsection b.2 of Section 31 regarding absences from the City by removing a provision that allows the council to declare a position vacant if the incumbent is absent "from three consecutive regular council meetings" and replacing that provision with a new provision that would allow the council to declare a position vacant if the incumbent misses "*all meetings in a 60 day period*".

The measure would also amend Section 32 by adding the italicized text to existing language: "a mayor or councilor vacancy will be filled by an election if 13 months or more remain in the office term, "*or by appointment of the majority of the council within 45 days if less than 13 months remain.*"

Finally, the measure would amend Section 32 by replacing italicized language of "*may be*" to "*shall be*" in the following sentence: "A mayor or council vacancy *may be* filled by appointment by a majority of the remaining council members."

The City Council formed a Charter Review Committee in 2013 comprised of Sherwood residents to review and propose amendments to the City Charter. The Committee met several times in open public meetings and accepted public feedback, held an open house and a public hearing on the proposed amendments. The Committee and City Council met to review the amendments, and the City Council held a public hearing to received citizen input.

If approved by the voters, the revisions will take effect upon the City Council adoption of the May 20, 2014 election results.